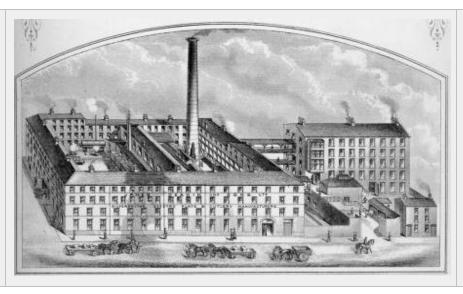
JAMES DEAKIN & SONS

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MARKS, HALLMARKS AND HISTORY

The firm was founded in Sheffield by James Deakin in 1866. The first mark was entered by the firm in Sheffield Assay Office on 31 January 1878. It was a "JD" over "WD" and, possibly, represented the partnership of James Deakin and his son William Pitchford Deakin. The firm was active at Sidney Works, Matilda Street, Sheffield. In 1886 two further sons entered in the partnership, John Deakin and Albert Deakin, and the firm was then known as James Deakin & Sons.

















Further marks were entered in London Assay Office (1888) by William and John Deakin (subsidiary offices and showrooms at 48 Holborn Viaduct, London), Chester and Birmingham. Further offices and showrooms were opened at Gardiner House, 14 Charterhouse Street, London, 34 St. Enoch Square, Glasgow and 7 Queen Street, Belfast. After the retirement of James Deakin (1893) the business was continued by his sons William, John and Albert. In 1897 the firm was converted into a limited liability company under the style James Deakin & Sons Ltd. The firm was the proprietor of Shaw and Fisher, Electro-plate Manufacturers (established 1835) and of Walter Latham & Son, Sterling Silver & Electro-plate manufacturers (established 1874).

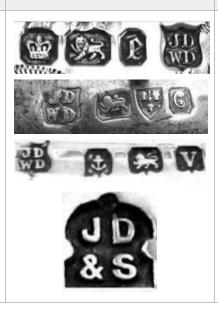
In 1935, James Deakin & Sons Ltd was part of an ill-fated merger "Silver & Steelcrafts Ltd" that included Fenton Bros and J.H. Potter & Sons. The combine collapsed within three years. In 1961 the brand was part of the "MONOGRAM" CUTLERY GROUP belonging to I.S. Dearden & Sons Ltd, manufacturing holloware and flatware under the "Bell brand" in the patterns 'Gordon', 'Balmoral' and 'Empire'. To avoid any confusion with the

production of another Sheffield manufacturer having the same initials JD&S (James Dixon & Sons) the firm used in its silverplate production a figural trade mark representing a 'desk bell' (often interpreted as a 'lamp'). Likewise, Dixon used a figural trade mark (registered in 1879) representing a 'bugle'.

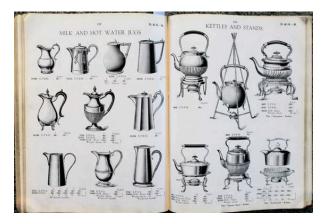
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- JD over WD into a shield, James Deakin & Sons, Sheffield 1897, entered 1894 "John and William Deakin" Similar marks were entered in Birmingham, Chester and London (1888) Assay Officer
- JD over WD into a shield, James Deakin & Sons, Chester 1903, entered c. 1888 John and William Deakin
- ❖ JD over WD into a shield, James Deakin & Sons, Birmingham 1920 "John and William Deakin"
- ❖ JD over & S, James Deakin & Sons, Mark entered (c. 1932) in Birmingham, Chester and Sheffield Assay Offices





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